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SUBJECT: SOVIET COMMENTATOR SCORES SCHLESINGER

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1. ON THE MAIN TELEVISION NEWS PROGRAM, VREMYA (JULY 7), COMMENTATOR VALENTIN ZORIN DENOUNCED SECRETARY SCHLESINGER IN STRONG TERMS FOR HIS RECENT REMARKS ABOUT POSSIBLE U.S. FIRST USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AGAINST A SOVIET THREAT.

2. ZORIN BEGAN BY SAYING THAT SENIOR U.S. OFFICIALS INCLUDING THE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY KISSINGER AND OTHERS HAD OFTEN REAFFIRMED THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE COURSE OF REDUCING INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS AND BUILDING BETTER RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION. BUT THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE IS ALSO A SENIOR MEMBER OF THAT GOVERNMENT, SAID ZORIN, AND HE GOES ON ABOUT AN ALLEGED SOVIET THREAT. RECENTLY HE EVEN DISCUSSED THE POSSIBLE FIRST USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS BY THE U.S. AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION. SUCH TALK IS DANGEROUS AND IRRESPONSIBLE, SAID ZORIN. THE TWO SIDES SHOULD BE CONCENTRATING ON WAYS TO BUILD CLOSER COOPERATION.

3. SCHLESINGER ALSO CHARGED THAT THE SOVIET UNION WAS
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BUILDING A BASE AT BERBERA, SOMALIA, SAID ZORIN. NOW
THE SOMALI GOVERNMENT HAS INVITED U.S. JOURNALISTS AND

MEMBERS OF CONGRESS TO SEE FOR THEMSELVES AND HAS
ANNOUNCED THAT THAT THEY SAW NO SOVIET BASE.

4. COMMENT: ZORIN'S REMARKS FOLLOW THE TONE OF PREVIOUS
SOVIET COMMENTS (REFTEL) ON THE NUCLEAR ISSUE AND ON
BERBERA--WHERE HIS FORMULATION WAS PARTICULARLY TORTURED.

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